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Memorandum

To: Superintendent, Laguna Agency, BIA

From: Area Manager, Rio Puerco Resource Area

Subject: Security of the Jackpile-Paguate Mine, Pueblo of Laguna Uranium
Leases 1, 4 and 8, Anaconda Minerals Company

Enclosed for your reference is a copy of the lessee's recent letter regarding unauthorized entries at the subject mine.

Unauthorized entrants to the subject mine could be exposed to hazardous conditions and could thereby be subject to accidents and injuries. We are also concerned that unauthorized entries could jeopardize certain aspects of the mine reclamation. While we realize that the lessee is responsible for security at the mine, we must agree that access to the mine and associated facilities cannot be adequately controlled without the cooperation of all involved parties. Since we are not aware of any BLM authority to control access by members of the Pueblo of Laguna, we would appreciate your advice on any actions that you can and will take to control access to the mine and associated facilities.

If you have any questions about this matter, please contact me or Dale Jones at the above address or telephone (505) 766-3114.

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Enclosure

cc:

Area Director, AAO, BIA

M.A. Stirland, General Manager, Anaconda Minerals Co.

M. Pool, Jackpile-Paguate EIS

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Mine Plan File: Anaconda Comprehensive Mine Plan
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